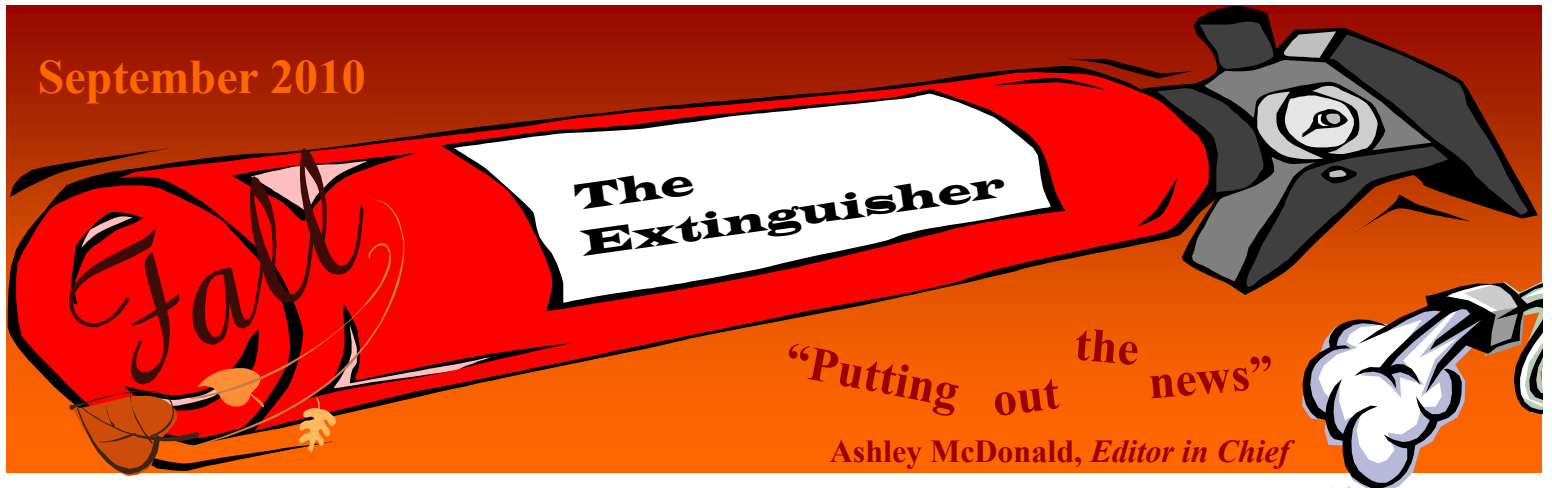


September 2010



Birthdays

Eddie McCullough 9/7

Ashley McDonald 9/13

David Bricker 9/16

Ricky Jones 9/17

Troy Thomas 9/18

Roger Toombs 9/18

Daryl Alexander 9/20

Tim Corder 9/21

Kenny McFarland 9/23

Bobby Canterbury 9/24

Jeff Wright 9/28



REMEMBER OUR FALLEN HEROES ON THE 9TH ANNIVERSARY OF SEPTEMBER 11TH. MFD BELL-RINGING CEREMONY TO BE ANNOUNCED...

TRAINING DIVISION UPDATE BY: ASST. CHIEF ALLEN SWADER



The Murfreesboro Fire Department has recently obtained permission from the City to train at a house located at 1104 W. Main Street. The training will begin on September 1, 2010. Some of the scenarios will be: Radio Communications (Accountability, Mayday, etc.), Rapid Intervention Team Operations (for a trapped firefighter), Incident Command System (size up, strategy, tactics), Search and Rescue, and P.A.R.

HYBRID VEHICLE SAFETY CLASS BY: DRIVER CLAY ESTES

On August 23, 2010, the Murfreesboro Fire Department sent 18 employees to a hybrid vehicle safety class. The class was held at the Wilson County Fairgrounds and hosted by Wilson County Emergency Management.

Hybrid vehicles use a battery pack to drive electric motors in the transmission and a gasoline engine to assist the electric motors (during acceleration, etc) and charge the battery pack. Many major automotive manufacturers have committed to offering a hybrid version of every model they produce. With the United States as number one in the global market for hybrids, firefighters and other emergency workers are sure to be working around these vehicles in the foreseeable future.

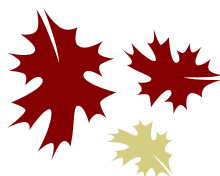
The purpose of this class was to cover basic safety concerning high voltage systems of hybrids and to dispel myths associated with them. Although hybrid technologies vary from make to make and even model to model, the basics remain the same. (Please see Page 2 of *The Extinguisher* for Important Tips). The following websites have the most "up-to-date" information on Hybrid Safety: www.extrication.com/erg.htm; <https://techinfo.toyota.com>; <https://techinfo.honda.com>; www.motorcraft.com; www.gmstc.com; www.mbusa.com.

COUNCIL, CITY MANAGER, AND ASST. CITY MANAGER CHECK OUT NEW 75' AERIAL PHOTOS BY: TC BILLY VINSON



(Left to right): Asst. Chief Gary Farley, Councilmember Doug Young, Asst. City Manager Jim Crumley, Deputy Chief Roger Toombs, Asst. Chief Allen Swader, Chief Cumbeey Gaines, City Manager Rob Lyons, Captain/Shift Inspector Mark McCluskey, and Vice Mayor Chris Bratcher.

TRAINING WITH THE NEW 75' AERIAL



FIREFIGHTER OF THE MONTH AUGUST 2010



Firefighter Anthony Cayll has been named Firefighter of the Month for August 2010. He received this honor for his participation in the recent repairs and improvements made to Fire Station 3 located on Mercury Boulevard. Cayll has been with the Murfreesboro Fire Department since August 2000. Congratulations, Anthony!



HYBRID VEHICLE SAFETY CLASS CONTINUED

IMPORTANT TIPS

1. Hybrid vehicle fires should be treated like a conventional car fire. It is okay to use water.
2. Never cut high voltage wires. High voltage will be color-coded: Orange (greater than 60v DC/30v AC), Blue or Yellow (30v to 60v DC/15v to 60v AC). Some vehicles will convert power to over 1500v DC.
3. Never push a hybrid vehicle. The electric motors will produce electricity and possibly cause the vehicle to move on its own.
4. Hybrids have a conventional battery. The 12v system should be treated the same as any other vehicle.
5. High voltage systems are deactivated upon deployment of airbags or seat belt pre-tensioners. Airbags and pre-tensioners operate using the standard 12v system.
6. Gasoline engines may start at any time if the vehicle is properly secured. Just because the engine is not running, that does not mean the vehicle is off.
7. You will not be shocked by a hybrid that is submerged in water or by touching the body of a hybrid involved in an accident. The systems have large fuses designed to blow if a short in the high voltage system occurs.



September Anniversaries

34 YEARS

Ronald Jones

33 YEARS

Dale Maynard

28 YEARS

Randy Jones

26 YEARS

Robert Alsop

Gary Farley

24 YEARS

Bubba Holladay

16 YEARS

Kurt McMahan

Tracy Summar

14 YEARS

Craig McBride

11 YEARS

Titus Jackson

6 YEARS

Steve Ellison

Chris Johnson

Chase Martin

Jonathan Proby

4 YEARS

David Frost

Nell Spradling

Craig Underwood

Matt Young

3 YEARS

Taylor Lasseter

Jeremy Spivey

2 YEARS

John Flynt

Josh Warren